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In the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed June 6, 2006, Applicants' attorney enclosed a Japanese Office Action for Application No. 2000-266693 and References JP 08-149453 and JP 09-102939. Enclosed are partial English language translations for the Japanese Office Action and Reference 08-149453. Also enclosed is a complete English language translation for Reference 09-102939.

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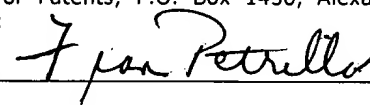
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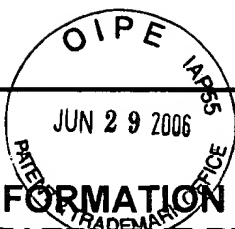
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